


REMARKS

Applicant has amended the claims to more clearly define the first and second pivot members of the tumbler. Applicant has also clarified the engagement of the first pivot member with the pivot means so as to overcome Examiner's rejection in view of Matz, as modified by Dillon.

Applicant's invention is distinguishable from the prior art cited by the examiner. Applicant's vent stop includes a pin that extends from the housing member into a cavity in the tumbler to allow the tumbler to pivot about the pin. The prior art does not disclose a second pivot member which fits into the cavity of the tumbler. The Matz patent merely allows the tumbler to rest on the base of the housing.

Respectfully submitted,



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